

Grave-Yard Planning & First Impressions

The design of a cemetery is based on the beliefs and their funeral rites, which in turn say a lot about the particular understanding of nature and social relations in Karachi, Pakistan.

This fact should also be shown clearly in the new cemetery project for Muslims in Karachi, Pakistan.

Regardless of religious orientation, is the two forms of Christian and Muslim burial site in common, that the cemetery will be the first garden. As the real 'Urgarten' it is characterized by the cultivation of its soil and its clearly defined from surface.

When creating a garden for the first time a piece of land is bounded and clearly delineated against the wilderness.

The aim of the design is a very open and clearly laid out the overall concept. A delicate weave of wall panels in various heights frame the graves and the built-structure. The 'finger-like' grave-scale fields allow implementation in stages, - the grave fields extend into the pristine landscape In sha ALLAH

The planned grave fields are bordered by low walls and form separate rooms. They are each divided into a compact area for organized grave burials and a large & small room with sitting-bench.

The range of the required facilities will be developed from the topic out of the wall.

The result is a total investment of grave fields appropriate header.

The Cemetery in its restrained and measured expression belies a complex cultural negotiation. In the context of its host environment, it presents a symbolically charged site as a place of resolve. The project will be brought together a multi-faith, multi ethnic group of actors to realise the wish of an the community seeking to create a space that fulfils their spiritual aspirations and, at the same time, responds to the context of their adopted province of Sindh with a culturally sensitive design and aesthetics.

Simple in expression and poetic in form, it not only engages the natural landscape in an intelligent manner but also suspends any notion of declaration. While emphasising spiritual pluralism, the Cemetery also provides the final destination for Muslims and all minority group in a dominant society of Karachi, Pakistan.

PROJECT Impressions

In the past they spoke various languages and had different sects religious beliefs. The list is by no means exhaustive. It is the history of newcomers finding their way, settling down and becoming part of established structures and, in a parallel process, it is the history of change that HAWSR Foundation would implement in the growing diversity of Karachi, PK – both as a state and a society – is therefore not a new story. We can draw on our experience.

And we are not the only ones to live through and shape such transformations. Our ambition as HAWSR Foundation is to share this history with many other provinces, regions of the country.

A more recent event in this history, which was shaped by people too, the objective is the establishment of the first FREE Islamic cemetery in Karachi-PK, It is open to members of all the Islamic communities living in Sindh including the rural and urban districts. HAWSR Foundation has been developing the process with a vision lasting for several years and involved many years of people working together towards a common goal that will transcend religious and institutional boundaries. This VISION tells about this cooperation – an example that it's possible. WE SHALL PREVAIL In Sha Allah.

Graves: Land extent 100 acres in Sindh Karachi – PK

- compactly organized grave area with bench – Starting of with **Zone 1** consisting of approximately 700 graves or 1000 graves.

Rooms:

- Ablution (ritual washing) – Small & Large prayer room (Mmasjids) - Utility rooms - Covered area for adoption

Architectural strategy:

- very open and clearly laid out overall concept - Pragmatic, with very little symbolism - unobtrusive integrated in the landscape

NOTE:

HAWSR Foundation believes that the Final Resting Place should be of Peace & Tranquillity for the departed souls, Karachi presently suffers from “Khacha” disciplines to bury the departed, no matter How Shameful it is the society does not CARE, in this dilemma it's the Poor Man who suffers the most, 1. He has lost his loved one, 2. He needs money to Bury his or her loved one, which is an in humane, mentally a

catastrophic degraded intent, those who practise such disciplines could be referred as Grave Yard Mafia who pounce at the helpless or deriving income.

HAWSR Foundation dream vision is to eliminate such process with a proper administrated Islamic Grave Yard for all, no matter what your ethnicity is !

HAWSR Foundation will appoint an International Architect for the planning & creating a Robust grave yard, moreover the construction of the Grave Yard will be executed by Dutch or German Construction Companies based in Europe or in the Emirates or elsewhere respectively.

Karachi Islamic Grave Yard will consist of Modern Amenities serving the Community

- Mosque
- Cold Storage Room
- Ablution Area / Male & Female separately
- Kaffan Room Male / Female (FREE)
- Spiritual Spaces
- Digital Wall giving the Females to observe the last journey of their loved ones (Females only)
- Cantine
- Transport
- Parking spaces as per the designated Zones
- Transport within the Grave Yard
- Transport to the Grave Yard
- First Aid – Centre for urgent calamities (Should there be)
- Ambulances designated per Zone 24-7 / 365 days
- Digital Registration System
- Mourning Areas Male & Female
- No Smoking Region
- Toilets & Bathing facilities
- HAWSR Foundation Bus
- HAWSR Foundation – Deceased Transport Vehicle
- Gardens / Trees & Flowers
- Grave Maintenance Teams as per the designated Zones
- Uniformed Maintenance Teams
- Undisputed Electrical Supply – Green Energy Concept
- Undisputed Hot water – Cold water supply.
- Flood management within the Grave Yard and its surroundings
- Managed Sewer System (Dutch Engineering)
- Rain Water management

1. Centralised Record Keeping connected with NADARA
2. Digital Mapping and Plot Management / Drones
3. Streamlined Financial management
4. Application of CIMS / Cemetery Information Management System

Cemetery design is a complex process, but it is one that is well worth the time and effort. By keeping these five factors in our mind's, HAWSR Foundation can be sure that the Cemetery / Grave Yard is both beautiful and functional, the First of its kind in Karachi FOC for Karachi - Sindh

Planning & Designing the HAWSR Foundation Cemetery

1. A Master Plan. Every cemetery should have a master plan that takes into account the future needs of the property. ...
2. Landscape & Architecture. The landscape and architecture of a cemetery should be designed to be both beautiful and functional. ...
3. Accessibility. ...
4. Signage. ...
5. Grading & Drainage

Note:

There will be NO NAMES – Project will be in the name of ALLAH SWT and his most Beloved Prophet Mohammad (Pbuh)

Management: To be nominated (External) supervised by the appointees who will be responsible to administrate the Graveyard as per the terms & conditions of HAWSR Foundation.

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